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In re Patent Application of:
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For: Target Detection System Having a
Conformationally Sensitive Probe Comprising a
Nucleic Acid Based Signal Transducer

Examiner S. L. Bausch

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Claims 1-228 are pending in the instant application and are subject to restriction.

The Office Action, on page 2, requires restriction to one of the following groups under 35 U.S.C. §121:

- I. Claims 5-9 and 58-61, which are drawn to an affinity probe with a probe ligand recognition element;
- II. Claims 10-26 and 62-65, which are drawn to a cleavage probe with a destabilizing agent;
- III. Claims 27-33 and 66-69, which are drawn to a type I coupling probe;
- IV. Claims 34-46 and 70-73, which are drawn to a type II coupling probe;
- V. Claims 47-57 and 74-77, which are drawn to a type II(-) coupling probe;